

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY JAKARTA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9728

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MASS, ID  
SUBJECT: CALIBER .38 PISTOL SPARE PARTS

REF: (A) STATE 148500, (B) JAKARTA 7951

1. FURTHER TO REFTELS, WE HAVE HEARD INFORMLLY THAT  
ISSUANCE OF AN EXPORT LICENSE FOR APPROXIMATELY FOUR  
THOUSAND SETS OF SPARE PARTS FOR CALIBER .38 PISTOL  
HAS BEEN QUESTIONED IN WASHINGTON, PARTICULARLY ON THE  
GROUNDS THAT THE PISTOLS ARE USED BY THE POLICE.

2. IF THIS IS TRUE, WE WOULD URGE RECONSIDERATION AND  
APPROVAL OF SAID EXPORT LICENSE ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:

A. THE CALIBER .38 PISTOL IS A WEAPON USED BY THE  
POLICE AS A DEFENSIVE WEAPON. FOR EXAMPLE, AS IN THE  
U.S., TRAFFIC POLICE, DETECTIVES, ETC., ARE OFTEN ARMED  
WITH IT, AS IS THE BODYGUARD PROVIDED THE AMBASSADOR  
BY THE GOI. THEY ARE USED FOR SELF-DEFENSE AND NORMAL  
LAW ENFORCEMENT.

B. THE CALIBER .38 PISTOLS PRESENTLY IN THE  
POSSESSION OF THE GOI ARE EITHER ALL OR MAINLY PART OF  
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SOME SIX THOUSAND PISTOLS PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED UNDER MAP.

C. POLITICALLY, WE ALOS BELIEVE THAT REFUSAL TO  
PERMIT SUPPLY OF SPARE PARTS WILL REFLECT BADLY ON  
RELIABILITY OF U.S. AS A FRIEND AND SOURCE OF SUPPLY.  
INDONESIANS REMEMBER WITH BITTERNESS THEIR EXPERIENCE  
WITH SOVIET UNIIN WHICH CRIPPLED THIS COUNTRY BY

REFUSAL TO PROVIDE SPARE PARTS TO EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED.

D. THIS IS A PURELY COMMERCIAL PURCHASE.

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## Message Attributes

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